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Comments:

All Aboard Florida is a necessary step into our future. Between the economic impact it will have on the state to the positive impact it will have on the environment (with removing cars from the road) this is what Florida needs. Our highways are very unreliable, we cannot get to where we want to go in any predictable amount of time. Furthermore, I fit into the "millennial" age group, and we want mass transit with urban-centric hubs where we can live, work, play. I'm All Aboard, and cannot wait for the day I can take the train.

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As a person who travels to Orlando occasionally, I believe this would provide a fast, ~~and~~ quick and efficient alternative ~~me~~ for my family and I. To be able to get ~~to~~ to Miami from West Palm, where I work, would be great if I want to catch a heat game and avoid all the traffic associate with Ft. Lauderdale and Miami. I support the project and look forward to riding it in the future.

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Comments:

Very much for the ALL ABOARD PROJECT
AS it will improve transportation and
the economy.

Minimal environmental impact.

Great for the transportation problems
in FLORIDA and the economy & tourism

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Comments:

I am a resident of Broward County with friends, family & clients up and down the planned route for All Aboard Florida. Being from NC, I appreciate all forms of travel of any kind, and based on the time I spend in my car throughout the car making trips to and between Miami and Orlando, I am anxiously awaiting this service and support all the efforts the company has made to bring passenger rail back thoughtfully and responsibly to all concerned.

Can't wait to leave my car at home and get on board!

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Comments:

In Full support of All Aboard
Florida for its positive economic
impact, as well as the fact that it
will take cars off the road.

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Environmental assessment seems to be thorough
and involved. Many different studies
have been completed. Very good job

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Comments:

THIS PROJECT IS A WONDERFUL DEVELOPMENT
FOR FLORIDA. IT WILL OPEN UP TRAVEL FROM
NORTH TO SOUTH. AS SOMEONE WITH FAMILY
IN ORLANDO, LIVE IN WEST PALM BEACH
AND WORK IN MIAMI, I LOOK FORWARD TO
HAVING THIS MEANS OF TRAVEL OPENUP.
THANKS ALL ABOARD FLORIDA. TO TRAVEL
TO ORLANDO IN UNDER 3 HOURS, PRICELESS

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Comments:

I can not wait until They start
Running Trains. I think this is great for
Florida.

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Comments:

I feel This new Project will
Be a very Positive Action for Florida.
It can make commuting Around
Florida much faster & a lot
safer.

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Comments:

As the Florida Regional Director for smart Destinations, I'm truly excited for this great opportunity! Our multi-attraction passes for Orlando and Miami would be even more of a draw to our domestic and international customer database, with transportation involved! Recently, we've noticed a shift in visitors - rather than only visiting one city, consumers are beginning to visit multiple destinations within the state - making ~~it~~ Florida a destination in itself. Combining this new passenger rail with our flexible products is a no-brainer. We hope this comes to fruition!

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Comments:

It's great to hear train travel is becoming more popular
+ I'm looking forward to having more options, especially
with interconnectivity with other modes already in place.

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The use of the existing FEC ROW up into the Cocoa area and then to the east is a perfect use for passenger rail.

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Comments:

*I am in favor of the All Aboard Florida. Mass transit
alternatives are needed between the major Florida cities.*

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Comments:

All Aboard Florida will be wonderful for the state of Florida. We have needed an alternative mode of transportation for some time and this is the first step in ~~reaching~~ the evolution of high-speed rail. I am very much looking forward to trying All Aboard Florida in 2016. It will change my way of traveling for the better!

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This project is critical to improve statewide mobility. The impacts are miniscule compared to the benefits of the project. Project will be a jobs catalyst, encourage rail-side development and open up new avenues for new commuter rail service. Passenger rail is the key to addressing statewide traffic congestion and will move Florida into the 21st Century w/ regards to rail service consistent w/ other major metropolitan areas. Disapproval of this plan would simply be foolish.

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I am in favor of this project "All Aboard Florida".
It would be a great benefit to us all as it would eliminate
traffic in the street. I am 100% in favor.

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Comments:

THIS PROJECT SEEMS TO BE LOADED WITH POSITIVE BENEFITS TO THE TRAVELING PUBLIC. THIS WILL ENHANCE FLORIDA AS A WORLD CLASS TOURIST DESTINATION, BY ALLOWING INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS THE ABILITY TO MIGRATE BETWEEN THE POPULAR DESTINATIONS OF ORLANDO AND MIAMI. THIS RAIL LINE WILL HELP SPUR ADDITIONAL INTEREST IN RAIL TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE US AND START TO BRING US ON PAR WITH EUROPE. IT IS THE MOST FUEL AND ENERGY EFFICIENT METHOD TO MOVE PEOPLE AND MACHINES.

I AM ALL FOR THIS PROJECT. THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS ARE TREMENDOUS AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ARE NEGLIGIBLE.

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Comments:

ACIF is absolutely needed for the state of Florida. I without a doubt support the project and how it will transform travel & tourism for local and international travelers. Given that the project will have minimal impact on surrounding communities, I believe that everyone should stand in support of this privately-funded venture that will bring thousands of job and economic opportunity, while connecting the state's two leading destinations.

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Comments:

I strongly support ^{The} IDA & Florida need a speed rail
for SATURATED Area like Miami-Dade, Broward &
Orange Counties and Palm Beach County too.

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Comments:

As a resident of downtown Ft. Lauderdale
& as the President of a company located
in downtown Ft. Lauderdale, I want to
make it known that I'm 100% in favor
of this project. It will continue to make
South Florida a competitive market for
tourists & for attracting the millennial
generation / creative class who are moving to
cities w/ great public transportation
options.

Kelly Alvarez Vitale
Strategic Philanthropy
779 NE 4th Ave.
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Comments:

I support the project and hope you will accept the DEIS to move forward with AAF.

Please strongly consider items of concern regarding the New River Bridge including
- Bridge tender and restriction on time ^{rail} bridge can be closed.

I look forward to the completed project, which will be an economic driver for Florida.

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Comments:

I am stronger in favor of All Aboard
Florida for many reasons, some of which are:
reducing environmental impact of auto traffic,
jobs created, convenience for Florida residents
as well as tourist/business travelers, growth
impact by eventual likelihood of new stations
& more routes, and an excellent option for
senior citizens & families alike.

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Comments:

I am in full support of the All Aboard Florida rail project. I know that it will help move people, and also attract people to Florida.

Now I am a life-long Floridian and really hope this project moves forward quickly.

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Comments:

This is a very exciting project connecting Orlando to Ft. Lauderdale and Miami. This will alleviate the busy traffic ^{on} I-95, giving people another transportation option or mode, will reduce traffic congestion and environmental pollution. I believe it will also bring in new businesses, which means new jobs and new revenues for the governments. I will go for it. Thanks for the project.

A stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke.

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Comments:

In favor of project:

- Uses minimal federal funds

- Reduces auto traffic

- Provides an alternative method of travel

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Comments:

I'm excited for the All Aboard project to come to fruition. When I visit other states and countries, their rail and train systems and transportation systems in general are a benefit ~~the~~ to their residents. Our tourist economy will be helped, making it easier for visitors to see some of our most popular cities - Miami, - Fort Lauderdale, the Orlando entertainment area - without having to navigate our roads in rental cars.

I live on the first residential street east of the tracks in Fort Lauderdale. As long as the sound and vibration are mitigated, I'm All Aboard!

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Comments:

I BELIEVE THIS IS A WELL THOUGHT OUT
AND LONG NEEDED SERVICE THAT WILL HAVE A
SIGNIFICANT IMPACT OVER TIME TO THE ENVIRONMENT
THROUGH MASS TRANSIT RATHER THAN INDIVIDUAL
VEHICLE TRAVEL.

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Comments:

- This initiative is going to be
great for the Orlando to
Miami Region. Everything
from convenience, less dis-
tance, and frustration, to
powerful positive economic impact.
This is going to be a major positive!
LONG NEEDED!

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FEC RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY IS AN UNDERUTILIZED
ASSET. I WISH TO EXPRESS UNREVOKED SUPPORT
FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS AND THE DOWNTOWNS
THEY WILL REDEVELOP.

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Comments:

As A LIFELONG RESIDENT IN So. FLA (44 YEARS
IN BROWARD COUNTY) I AM TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF
THE AAF EFFORT TO BRING MORE MASS
TRANSPORTATION CAPABILITIES TO OUR COMMUNITY.
THE FLAGLER COMPANIES ARE KNOWN FOR DOING
THINGS RIGHT AND DOING THE RIGHT THING.
I FEEL CONFIDENT THAT AAF WILL TAKE INTO
ACCOUNT NEGATIVE COMMENTS FROM THOSE
INTERESTS WHO MAY BE IMPACTED BY THIS
EFFORT AND WILL DO THEIR BEST TO
MINIMIZE THEIR CONCERNS.

WE NEED MASS TRANSIT AND THE AAF
PROGRAM CERTAINLY BE A GREAT ADDITION
TO WHAT WE ALREADY HAVE.

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Comments:

This project coupled with the East Coastal Link will dramatically improve transportation options in the congested eastern side of our Metropolitan area. The project will also encourage desiccation around the stations in the urban cores. Having lived with Tri-Rail we understand that the impact of the train crossings are minimal. Look forward to its implementation and operation. Firmly support the project.

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Comments:

*I am in favor of this project and
feel it is a welcome necessity for
South Fl.*

*B. Hattan
Vice Mayor Town of Dade*

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Comments:

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100% Support the project

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Comments:

I am in favor of this project as it provides an alternative
to travel between Miami / ^{fl}WFB / and Orlando. The region has
been waiting for this to happen for some time now. Its
unfortunate it isn't high speed rail.

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Comments:

This project needs to proceed for a variety of reasons.

First and foremost, this work is important for the mitigation of air quality problems arising from continued reliance on automobile transportation. Current trends are unsustainable, and this passenger service would remove a large quantity of gas vehicles from our roadways.

Secondly and lastly, the economic development to come from this will be vast. As a local citizen adjacent to the line, a rise in my property values due to commercial development both increases my worth, as well as the local tax base.

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Comments:

I SUPPORT THE PROGRAM.
AAF will provide a much needed convenient
connection to Orlando from Fort Lauderdale.
The drive is difficult & rail will be
easier - allowing for work-time during
the ride. Fewer delays.
Need a convenient short-term
car rental facility at each end.
Especially at Orlando terminus.

Shirley Jones
P.E., AICP
Former Mayor,
City of Coral Springs.

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Comments:

We have been waiting for many years for a project such as this to come to fruition. Traffic on our N→S arteries is too congested, too dangerous and too time-consuming. Train traffic, as in many other parts of the world, is the transportation mode of the present and future.

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Comments:

*This form of Rail Service/Link
is long overdue.*

*I have been here 38 years
+ the roads are more congested
+ polluted over that time*

J Steak

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Comments:

I SUPPORT THIS INSTALL BECAUSE OF THE
BENEFIT IT WILL HAVE ON LOCAL AREA AND
COMMUNITY. I ~~WAS~~ AM HAPPY TO SAY I AM
BEHIND THIS PROJECT 100%.

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Comments:

*I support this project 100%
Good Luck !!*

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Comments:

The All Aboard Florida project is a great project that will bring another option for people outside of using their cars. It will bring stress free travel from Orlando to Miami and bring economic benefits to the surrounding area.

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Comments:

1.) RAIL SERVICE IS THE MOST ENERGY EFFICIENT MEANS OF MOVING PEOPLE AND GOODS FROM POINT A TO POINT B AT HIGH SPEEDS.

2.) I RODE A COMMUTER TRAIN IN PHILADELPHIA FOR OVER 20 YEARS. PEOPLE ARE CREATURES OF HABIT AND YOU RIDE WITH THE SAME PEOPLE FOR YEARS AND SHARE LIFE EXPERIENCES WITH THEM OVER TIME. THESE WERE WONDERFUL EXPERIENCES.

3.) I OWN TWO HOMES IN CENTRAL FLORIDA AND ONE IN SOUTH FLORIDA. DRIVING IS NOT A REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE IT IS ENVIRONMENTALLY AWFUL AND VERY DANGEROUS AND VERY BORING.

4.) ANYONE AGAINST RAIL SERVICE IS NOT A REASONABLE OR DECENT CITIZEN.

5.) FLORIDA NEEDS TO PUT RAIL TRACKS OVERHEAD SINCE UNDERGROUND IS NOT AN OPTION. THE PROBLEM WITH RAIL SERVICE IN FLORIDA IS THAT THERE ARE TOO MANY STREET LEVEL CROSSINGS.

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Comments:

Excellent project and privately funded.

I feel that the AAF staff have heard our concerns and have addressed them to my satisfaction

Please accelerate the project in order for the public to benefit from the access it provides.

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Comments:

EXCITED TO BECOMING A PART OF THIS AMAZING
PROJECT
Cory

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Comments:

This project will provide another mode of transport for Floridians. The more options we have, the better we can move goods, provide services, and enhance economic growth. As a resident of South Florida, I look forward to the successful completion of this project. I also look forward to my first train ride to Orlando!

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Comments:

100% Support.

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Comments:

Florida has been waiting for a project like this.
for quite sometime now.

it will be a boost to our economy.
Floridians should be proud to have a transportation
system that is comprehensive and multimodal.
IAAF will provide a mode of transportation
that will incentivize economic growth, by
facilitating travel to the tourist places.
the heart of Florida's economy.

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Comments:

1. I FULLY SUPPORT THE RAIL SYSTEM.
2. VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY
3. AS A LOCAL MARINER, I DISAGREE THAT THE RAIL BRIDGE WILL CREATE ANY MORE DELAY THAN ALREADY CREATED BY ALL THE ROAD BRIDGES.
4. ALSO THE MAJORITY OF OWNERS IN THE 210 UNIT LAS OLAS GROUND ARE IN FAVOR OF THIS PROJECT.

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Comments:

I think the impact will be positive and far-reaching into the south/southeast Florida region. The capacity improvement and idea of bringing passenger rail to South Florida is an excellent proposed idea. I look forward to hearing more and think that these Q+A sessions are very valuable.

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Comments:

I am a retired Amtrak employee from the Boston Division of the Northeast Corridor. Many objections were put to Amtrak fourteen years ago with the installation of electrification from the marine services group in Connecticut, fretting over restricted openings for the pleasure boat groups. There are approximately 35 round trips over 5 drawbridges (all within 30 miles of each other) and all seems to be working smoothly at this point in time. I would consider it a very sad commentary if "well heeled" individuals would try to stop this project as it appears is happening. I am approaching seventy years old and hope to ride this line soon. Lets get it done, you have my full support.

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Comments:

*IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT. THIS IS AN
EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF PRIVATE ENTERPRISE WORKING
IN HARMONY WITH GOVT.!*

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Comments:

The Project is in violation of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) because it prevents access to the coast by backing up traffic at major arterials. (Exhibit 1 & 2.) The DEIS avoided discussing cumulative impacts from future development especially in Jupiter. (Exhibit 3 & 4.) The Economic Impact of traffic & shut downs of access and the Foxcatcher Bridge closures is very severe; our waterfronts are very valuable for boating and beach access to tourism (Exhibits 5, 6, 7)

Because of the method of development (PUD + strip mall) (Exhibit 8) those who live in the area must drive from strip mall to strip mall for marketing, clothing, dry cleaners, restaurants, barbering + salons, exercise, education, and GOD!

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Figure 5-1
Public access points along the Gulf of Mexico shoreline and Florida Keys



According to DEP Division of Recreation and Parks data from the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) 2000 and Outdoor Recreation Planning (ORP) Inventory, October 2010, the total number of saltwater beach access points decreased 3.3% from 1,883 to 1,820 statewide between 1998 and 2010 (Table 5-3).

Table 5-3
Number of Saltwater Beach Access Points in 1998 and 2010

Resource	Unit	1998	2010	Percent Change
Saltwater Beaches	Number of Beach Access Points	1,883	1,820	-3.3

Source: SCORP 2000 and ORP Inventory, October 2010

When the access points are categorized by management agency (Figure 5-2), the majority of the loss is found in the state and non-governmental beach access points (-25.7% and -18.1%, respectively). Non-governmental beaches, which include commercial, club, non-profit, and special district shoreline, decreased by 40 access points from 221 to 181. Municipal beaches represent the greatest source of public access to sandy saltwater shoreline, accounting for 54% of the total number of coastal shore access points (976) in 2010. County beaches represent 30% of beach

4.5% per year, with the majority of counties experiencing less than 3% annual increases in recreational boating registrations. A small number of counties have seen high or very high increases in numbers of vessels from 2000 to 2009 (greater than 4.5% per year equivalent), which may suggest the need for additional facilities to support greater boating usage of waterways in those areas.

Figure 5-19

Boat Registrations
by Coastal County, 2009

Boat Registrations

B. Demand for Access to Coastal Resources

A favorable climate, easy access to the ocean, sandy beaches, and endless outdoor, recreational opportunities are characteristics of Florida that have produced a steadily increasing visitor and resident population. Coastal access is important to the quality of life for both Florida residents and visitors. Consequently, the fixed supply of Florida's beaches and other coastal resources are experiencing increasing demands from the growth in population and tourists. Each year, over 150 million Americans (70% of survey respondents) visited natural locations in order to view or photograph scenery (National Survey on Recreation and the Environment, 2004). In the same survey, American households indicated participation in the following outdoor activities: visits to nature centers - nearly 136 million; visits to the beach - 122 million; visits to swim in lakes, streams, and springs - 116 million; visits to historic places - 114 million; and outdoor picnic days - 112 million. Nearly 95 million Americans engaged in boating trips at least one time per year with nearly 70% of those in motorboats. Over 80 million Americans participated in fishing activities in 2004. These data were surveyed from citizen households, and therefore do not include tourist impacts.

The list of resource-based activities in which people are engaged in coastal Florida is extensive (see 2008 Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan for details). The highest demand activities for residents and tourists in Florida annually include: saltwater beach activities (57.6 million people), visiting archeological/historical sites (29.5 million people), nature study (27.5 million people), bicycling on paved and unpaved trails (20.5 million people), picnicking (20.2 million people), saltwater boat and non-boat fishing (17.0 million people), hiking (8.6 million people), and freshwater boat and non-boat fishing (7.9 million people), to name only a few.

The primary resource-based recreation activity in Florida is visiting the beach. The economic impact of visits to beaches by citizens and tourists alike is far-reaching. In 2000, beach visits represented \$41 billion in total spending (equivalent to 8.7% of the Gross State Product in that year and 80% of all state tourism spending). In 2008, the number of out-of-state (domestic) and international visitors was 84.2 million (Visit Florida FY09 Annual Report). These tourists infused \$65.2 billion into the Florida economy. Generally, more than one third of non-Floridian tourists are vacationing at beaches. In 2008, it is estimated that at least 23 million out-of state visitors were at Florida beaches on average 5 days, and another 5.5 million international visitors for an average of 14 days. This equates to 192 million visitor beach days. In the *Florida Coastal Issues 2009 Survey* (Appendix A), over 89% of Florida's 18.5 million residents visit the beach at least once per year with many (46%) making repeated trips compounding the number by monthly, weekly, or daily frequencies, and exceeding 500 million resident visitor days annually (as a conservative estimate).

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Jupiter Inlet Colony

Jupiter

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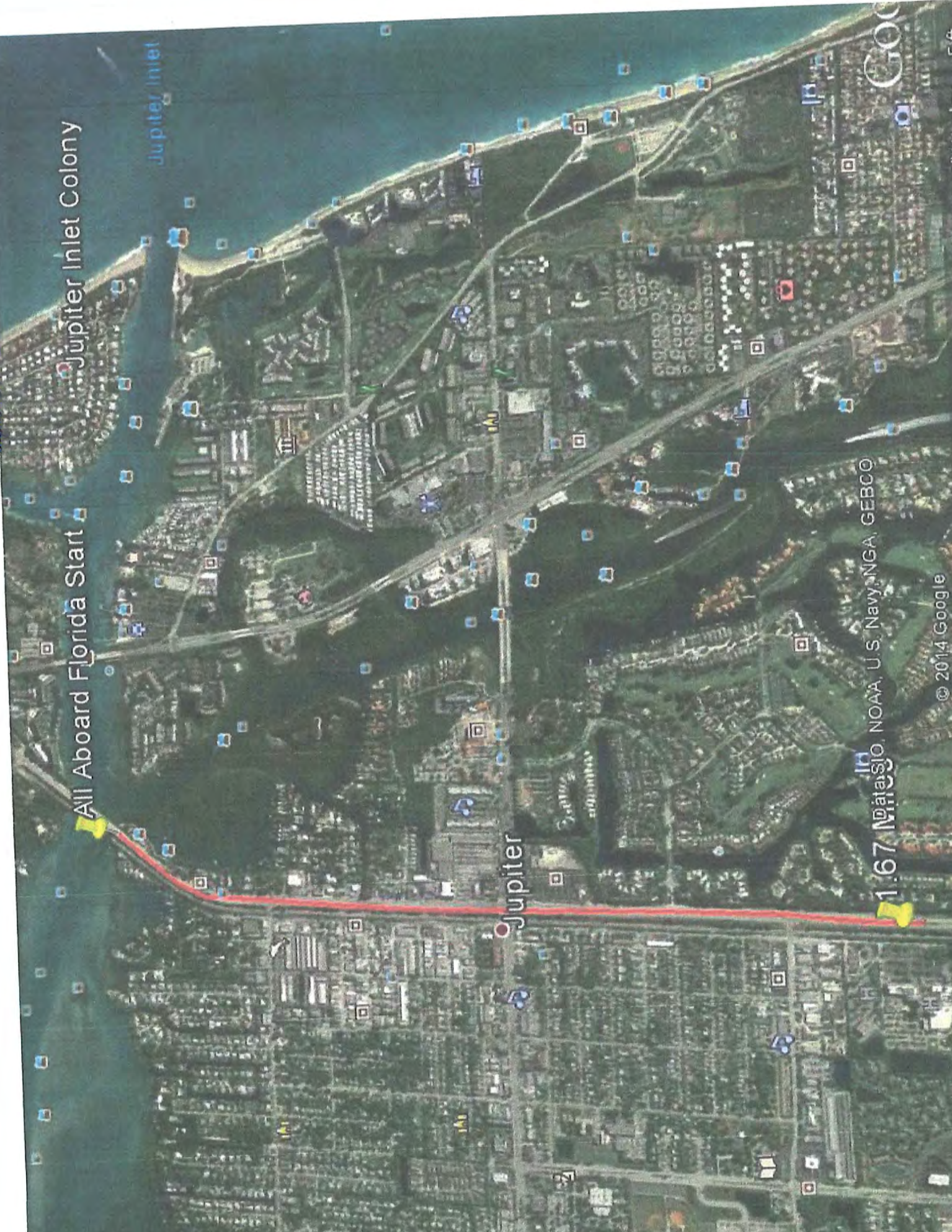
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STRIP MALL

- Jonathan's Landing-----The Shoppes at JL
- Admirals Cove-----Three Palms
- Admirals Crossing
- Intracoastal Pointe-----I.P. Plaza
- Fisherman's Wharf
- Frenchmans Reserve-----Frenchman's Crossing
- Frenchmans Creek
- Trump Ritz Carleton
- The Bear Club
- The Bluffs
- Ocean Grande
- Olympus-----Driftwood Plaza
- Ocean Bluffs
- Sandpiper
- Jupiter Yacht Club-----Shops at JYC
- Mangrove Bay
- Jupiter by the Sea
- Ocean Walk
- Ocean Crest
- Jupiter Dunes
- Xanadu
- Reynolds Plaza
- The Shoppes at Jupiter
- Jupiter Square
- Harborside
- Seagrape Square
- Concord Village Square

Passenger trains per day-----16
 Freight trains per day-----14
 Total trains per day-----30
 Closure time in minutes-----19
 Daily closure time in hours-----9.5

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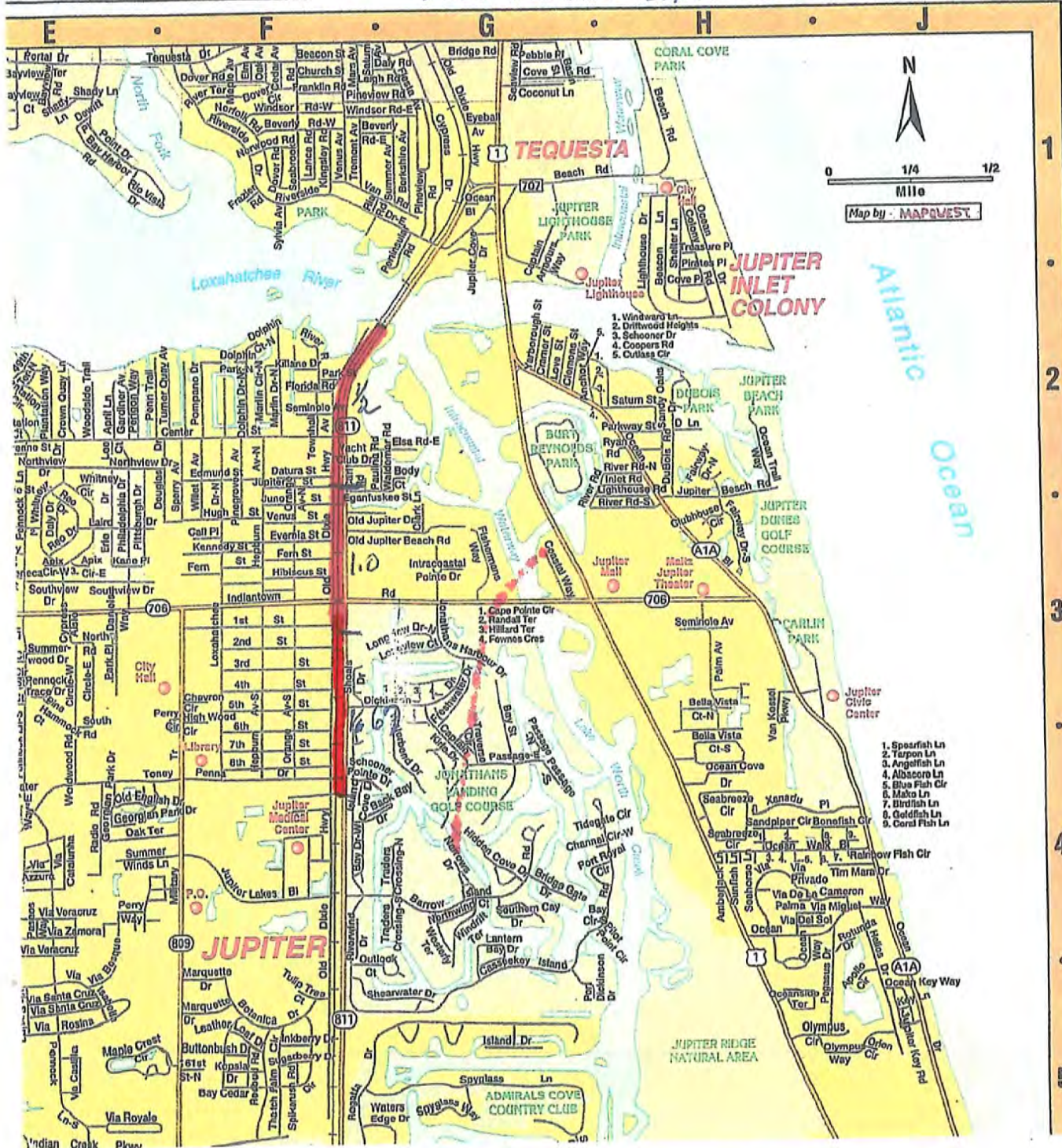


Exhibit 1

PTC

Transportation Consultants

ATTACHMENT H

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Certificate of Authorization Number: 7989

November 6, 2013

Mr. Peter Meyer
Planning and Zoning Department
Town of Jupiter
210 Military Trail
Jupiter, Florida 33458

Re: Harbourside Amendment Traffic Statement - # PTC06-125

Dear Mr. Meyer:

Pinder Troutman Consulting, Inc. (PTC) was retained to prepare a Traffic Statement based upon a minor revision to the land use for the above-referenced project. The project is located on the northwest corner of Indiantown Road and US1 in the Town of Jupiter. The project has a previously approved Traffic Impact Statement approved by Palm Beach County Traffic Division on January 18, 2012.

At the request of the Town of Jupiter, this trip generation comparison analyzes the minor changes to the project land use intensities. For the purposes of this analysis, the land uses from the December 2010 Final Site Plan were utilized as the "Approved" land uses. The proposed project consists of 51,635 SF of retail, 60,202 SF of office, 33,613 SF of quality restaurant, a 179-room hotel, a 31 slip marina, and 2,500 SF of museum/cultural space.

Based on the ITE Trip Generation Rates, 9th Edition, and approved trip generation rates, the approved use results in a total of 6,095 daily trips, 244 AM peak hour trips and 542 PM peak hour trips. The project as currently proposed generates a total of 5,932 daily trips, 243 AM peak hour trips and 527 PM peak hour trips. Refer to Exhibits 1A, 1B and 1C for the trip generation analysis.

The project as currently proposed generates equal or fewer trips than is approved, and therefore is in compliance with the Traffic Performance Standards. No further analysis is needed. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rebecca J. Mulcahy
Florida Registration #12570

Attachments

cc: Ryan Miller

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Exhibit 1A
Harbourside Amendment
Daily Trip Generation Comparison

Approved Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips	Internal Trips	External Trips	Pass-by Trips (2)	New External Trips
Retail	820	55,256 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.65 \ln(X) + 5.83$	4,618	369	4,249	1,950	2,299
General Office	710	58,791 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.76 \ln(X) + 3.68$	877	61	816	82	734
Quality Restaurant	931	34,855 SF	89.95 / 1,000 SF	3,135	219	2,916	1,283	1,633
Hotel	310	178 Rooms	8.92 / Room	1,588	111	1,477	148	1,329
Marina	420	31 Berths	2.96 / Berth	92	7	85	-	85
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	6.38 / 1,000 SF (3)	16	1	15	-	15
TOTALS				10,326	768	9,558	3,463	6,095

Proposed Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips	Internal Trips	External Trips	Pass-by Trips (2)	New External Trips
Retail	820	51,635 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.65 \ln(X) + 5.83$	4,419	354	4,065	1,890	2,175
General Office	710	60,202 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.76 \ln(X) + 3.68$	893	63	830	83	747
Quality Restaurant	931	33,613 SF	89.95 / 1,000 SF	3,023	212	2,811	1,237	1,574
Hotel	310	179 Rooms	8.92 / Room	1,597	112	1,485	149	1,336
Marina	420	31 Berths	2.96 / Berth	92	7	85	-	85
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	6.38 / 1,000 SF (3)	16	1	15	-	15
TOTALS				10,040	749	9,291	3,359	5,932

Net Increase in Trips	(163)
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- (1) Source: Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Trip Generation, 9th Edition and Palm Beach County.
 (2) Source: Article 13, Impact Fees, of the Palm Beach County Unified Land Development Code (ULDC).
 (3) Source: Approved Norton Museum of Art Traffic Impact Study, dated April 25, 2001.

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Exhibit 1B
Harbourside Amendment
AM Peak Hour Trip Generation Comparison

Approved Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips		Internal Trips	External Trips		Pass-by Trips (2)	New Trips		
				In	Out		In	Out		In	Out	
Retail	820	55,256 SF	0.96 /1,000 SF (62/38)	33	20	53	31	18	22	45.9%	20	7
General Office	710	58,791 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.80\ln(X) + 1.55 (88/12)$	108	15	123	103	10	11	10%	98	4
Quality Restaurant	931	34,855 SF	0.81 /1,000 SF (50/50)	14	14	28	13	13	11	44%	8	7
Hotel	310	178 Rooms	0.67 /Room (58/42)	69	50	119	63	44	107	11	58	38
Marina	420	31 Berths	0.08 /Berth (33/67)	1	1	2	1	1	2	0%	1	1
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	0.79 /1,000 SF (50/50) (3)	1	1	2	1	1	2	0%	1	1
TOTALS		151,402 SF		226	101	327	212	87	299	55	186	58
											244	

Proposed Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips		Internal Trips	External Trips		Pass-by Trips (2)	New Trips						
				In	Out		In	Out		In	Out	Total				
Retail	820	51,635 SF	0.96 /1,000 SF (62/38)	31	19	50	29	17	46	21	46.5%	19	6	25		
General Office	710	60,202 SF	$\ln(T) = 0.80\ln(X) + 1.55 (88/12)$	110	15	125	105	10	115	12	10%	99	4	103		
Quality Restaurant	931	33,613 SF	0.81 /1,000 SF (50/50)	13	14	27	2	6.0%	12	13	25	11	44%	7	14	
Hotel	310	179 Rooms	0.67 /Room (58/42)	70	50	120	12	10.0%	64	44	108	11	10%	59	38	97
Marina	420	31 Berths	0.08 /Berth (33/67)	1	1	2	-	10.0%	1	1	2	-	0%	1	1	2
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	0.79 /1,000 SF (50/50) (3)	1	1	2	-	8.0%	1	1	2	-	0%	1	1	2
TOTALS		147,950 SF		226	100	326	28	8.6%	212	86	298	55	186	57	243	

Net Trips	-	(1)
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- (1) Source: Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), Trip Generation, 9th Edition and Palm Beach County Trip Generation Rates.
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Exhibit 1C
Harbourside Amendment
PM Peak Hour Trip Generation Comparison

Approved Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips		Internal Trips		External Trips		Pass-by Trips (2)		New Trips	
				In	Out	In	Out	In	Out	In	Out	In	Out
Retail	820	55,256 SF	$\text{Ln}(T) = 0.67 \text{Ln}(X) + 3.31 (48/52)$	193	210	403	40	173	190	167	45.9%	90	106
General Office	710	58,791 SF	$\text{Ln}(T) = 0.74 \text{Ln}(X) + 1.83 (17/83)$	22	105	127	11	18	98	12	10%	12	92
Quality Restaurant	931	34,855 SF	$7.49 / 1,000 \text{ SF} (67/33)$	175	86	261	24	163	74	104	44%	111	22
Hotel	310	178 Rooms	$0.7 / \text{Room} (49/51)$	61	64	125	12	55	58	11	10%	50	52
Marina	420	31 Berths	$0.19 / \text{Berth} (60/40)$	4	2	6	1	4	1	5	0%	4	1
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	$0.79 / 1,000 \text{ SF} (50/50) (3)$	1	1	2	-	1	1	2	0%	1	2
TOTALS		151,402 SF		456	468	924	88	414	422	836	294	268	274

Proposed Use

Land Use	ITE Code	Intensity	Trip Generation Rate (1)	Total Trips		Internal Trips		External Trips		Pass-by Trips (2)		New Trips	
				In	Out	In	Out	In	Out	In	Out	In	Out
Retail	820	51,635 SF	$\text{Ln}(T) = 0.67 \text{Ln}(X) + 3.31 (48/52)$	185	200	385	39	166	180	161	46.5%	86	99
General Office	710	60,202 SF	$\text{Ln}(T) = 0.74 \text{Ln}(X) + 1.83 (17/83)$	22	107	129	12	16	101	12	10%	10	95
Quality Restaurant	931	33,613 SF	$7.49 / 1,000 \text{ SF} (67/33)$	169	83	252	23	157	72	101	44%	107	21
Hotel	310	179 Rooms	$0.7 / \text{Room} (49/51)$	61	64	125	12	55	58	11	10%	50	52
Marina	420	31 Berths	$0.19 / \text{Berth} (60/40)$	4	2	6	1	4	1	5	0%	4	1
Museum/Cultural	IND	2,500 SF	$0.79 / 1,000 \text{ SF} (50/50) (3)$	1	1	2	-	1	1	2	0%	1	2
TOTALS		147,950 SF		442	457	899	87	399	413	812	285	258	269

NetTrips		(10)	(5)	(15)
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Indiantown Rd	Island Way to Central Boulevard	50,300 (D)	54,120 (F)	68,230 (F)	68,060 (F)
Indiantown Rd	Central Boulevard to Center Street	50,300 (D)	53,040 (E)	67,800 (F)	75,740 (F)
Indiantown Rd	Center Street to Military Trail	50,300 (D)	45,170 (D)	61,120 (F)	68,730 (F)
Indiantown Rd	Military Trail to Alternate A1A	50,300 (D)	41,730 (D)	52,670 (E)	61,010 (F)
Indiantown Rd	Alternate A1A to US 1	50,300 (D)	28,520 (C)	40,840 (D)	52,100 (E)
Military Trail	Frederick Small Rd to Donald Ross Rd	50,300 (D)	34,690 (C)	46,010 (D)	54,070 (F)
Old Dixie Hwy	Toney Penna Dr to Jupiter Lakes Blvd	9,100 (D)	5,300 (B)	9,270 (D)	11,650 (F)
Toney Penna Dr	Central Boulevard to Maplewood Drive	11,000 (C)	8,860 (C)	11,680 (D)	14,210 (E)
Toney Penna Dr	Maplewood Drive to Military Trail	11,100 (C)	11,830 (D)	14,850 (E)	17,990 (F)
Toney Penna Dr	Military Trail to Alternate A1A	9,600 (C)	9,250 (C)	12,900 (F)	14,350 (F)
US 1	Ocean Blvd (A1A) to Indiantown Road	33,200 (D)	20,680 (C)	26,060 (D)	36,623 (F)
US 1	Indiantown Road to Marcinski Road	33,200 (D)	24,390 (C)	29,470 (D)	36,610 (F)
US1	Marcinski Road to Donald Ross Road	33,200 (D)	27,700 (D)	31,780 (D)	39,150 (F)

Staff notes that 16 of the 25 roadway links above were also projected to not meet the adopted daily LOS standards in 2030 as shown in the currently adopted Table 7 (see Exhibit 1). The additional nine roadway links (highlighted in yellow) were proposed to meet adopted LOS standards in 2030, but are now projected not to meet the adopted daily LOS standards in 2035, as noted below:

- Central Boulevard (two roadway links north of Indiantown Road) – The current adopted LOS tables is based on an assumption that roadway capacity on Central Boulevard would be increased to four lanes on these two links by 2012. Palm Beach County removed the traffic improvement for increasing Central Boulevard to a 4-lane facility on these links from their Five-year Capital Improvement Plan. With the reduced capacity and approximately the same level of traffic volumes projected in 2020 and 2035 these segments will now not meet the adopted daily LOS standards.
- The remaining seven roadway links are proposed to not meet the adopted daily LOS standards in 2035 due to major committed and future anticipated development projects such as Hawkeye, Inlet Village and transit-oriented redevelopments on Toney Penna Drive, as further explained in the *Long Range Model Methodology* section (page 2) of Attachment A. Some of the development projects listed in the model methodology had not yet been proposed when the LOS tables were last updated in 2008. However, staff notes that these properties were assigned with more general trip generation assumptions in the 2008 update.

The next step to further address the impacts of the Indiantown Road Corridor roadway links projected to not meet the adopted daily LOS standards in 2020 and 2035 is to provide an update to the Jupiter Area Study (JAS). Specifically, providing an analysis of the critical intersections along the corridor based on the traffic counts contained in the subject LOS table text amendments. The Town Traffic Engineer is currently compiling data and analysis to update the JAS and anticipates having intersection analysis updates for the Island Way and Central Boulevard intersections along Indiantown Road available for the subject Comprehensive Plan amendments Town Council transmittal hearing on June 17, 2014. The complete update to the JAS will be available in the near future.

TWO-WAY PEAK HOUR

Roadway	Link	Adopted 2-Way Peak Hour LOS Trips	2013 Trip Volume (LOS)	2020 Trip Volume (LOS)	2035 Trip Volume (LOS)
A1A	US 1 to Jupiter Beach Road (Rd)	1,480 (D)	710 (C)	1,040 (D)	1,880 (F)

Motorists traveling northbound on other intersecting highways, such as Narcoossee Road, SR 417 and SR 520, approaching SR 528 would see a similar view as the I-95 approach to SR 528. Motorists on these highways would see a new overpass in front of and similar to the existing SR 528 overpass. The only minor change in appearance of the new overpass would be instead of seeing grass side slopes, such as the ones associated with SR 528 overpasses, motorists would see concrete retaining walls similar to those shown in Figure 4.4.7-5b.

New communications towers would be required along the E-W Corridor to support the communications systems. These towers would be either monopole or lattice-type towers, generally 60 feet tall or less. While these towers would be visible to motorists on SR 528, they would not substantially change views along this corridor.

North-South Corridor

The existing viewshed along the N-S Corridor would remain largely unchanged. Modifications proposed for this corridor are expected to maintain the general aesthetics of this active rail line. Project improvements, including restoring the double-track system along the N-S Corridor, would occur within the existing right-of-way. Construction within the N-S Corridor is not expected to affect visual and scenic resources in this area as the existing transportation land use would not be changed because of the Project. The existing rail corridor would continue to be used with minimal removal of vegetation and no changes to at-grade crossings except for upgrades to signals in some locations.

The N-S Corridor would be visible from roadways that cross at-grade. Motorists' views at these at-grade roadways would be limited to grade crossings, lights, gates, and flashers. In a few locations, especially urban areas, the N-S Corridor would be visible from nearby buildings. Views currently consist of one or two tracks, railroad ballast, and infrastructure. In more suburban areas, vegetation would generally screen the views of the railroad. These visual conditions are not anticipated to change because of the Project. Boaters traveling underneath existing FECR Corridor bridges on navigable waterways would not see a substantial change because of the Project, although some dilapidated bridges on timber pilings would be replaced with new structures supported on concrete pilings. Boaters' views would continue to consist of the railroad bridges, as proposed improvements would restore the tracks or reconstruct the bridges within the same location as the existing structures.

AAF passengers would see a variety of undeveloped and developed land use types, such as residential areas, highways, commercial and industrial developments, golf courses, wetlands, forested areas, parks, agriculture, and water bodies while traveling the N-S Corridor. The trains would travel through areas of high density associated with urban centers and areas of low density associated with natural areas.

Phase I - West Palm Beach - Miami Corridor

As stated in Section 3.3.11 of the 2012 EA, the existing viewshed of the FECR Corridor from the surrounding land uses would be maintained. The proposed station concepts include aesthetic features such as architectural components, landscaping, and ADA-compliant parking and pedestrian features. These improvements are anticipated to result in an enhancement to the existing communities. It is also anticipated that the proposed station construction would be compatible with surrounding land uses. During the design phase of the WPB-M Corridor, complete engineering and architectural details for station facilities (including

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SIMULATION OF MARINE TRAFFIC @ NEW
RIVER BRIDGE ENTIRELY UNREALISTIC.
BOATS HAVE TO DEAL WITH CURRENT, WIND,
AND IRREGULAR MANEUVERING BY THE
OTHER VESSELS. THERE ARE 'RIGHT OF WAY'
RULES WHICH WILL ALSO DETERMINE HOW
THE VESSELS CLEAR THE BRIDGE AREA.

DISRUPTION WILL BE MUCH GREATER PER
CLOSING AND THE BRIDGE MUST BE
ATTENDED TO AVOID CLOSURE ON TOP OF
SAILBOATS OR LARGE BOATS.

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Problem with crossing the Rail Line on
Gateway Blvd & Hypoluxo. They already run
across the tracks at both locations before
the trains come

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Comments:

My main concern is safety - access for fire and rescue vehicles. I believe this will be negatively impacted by the vast increase in rail traffic and length of trains. Putting an active rail line in the midst of residential communities is an invitation to danger and a vast ~~dis~~ disruption of community life.

I have experienced high speed rail with a Toronto and at no time ~~did it~~ does it have the negative impact of this proposal. I have also experienced the frustration of waiting for a mile long train to finally pass - what if it's holding up a ~~fire~~ rescue vehicle -

This will ~~also~~ cause a large drop of interest to people moving to communities along the line -

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Comments:

① Closing 2 streets in downtown WPB is absurd and will negatively impact the urban environment for decades:

- Former ~~the~~ Passenger Terminal site at 6th Street and R.R. Avenue should be used.

② Alternate route using CSX tracks to Orlando is preferable:

- Impacts few people
- Avoids new tracks and bridges through environmental sensitive land along S.R. 520.

③ The present WPB station design is anti-pedestrian and this is an enormous negative to the environment. Pedestrians cannot access the terminal from the east. Horrible!!

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10/29/2014

- > The DEIS data is suspect because it was gathered by a consulting firm that was paid by All Aboard Florida.
- > The failure of that report to adequately address the environmental/safety/noise issues is most serious.
- > FRA must consider information beyond this DEIS as it is not a solid basis upon which to base a decision on such a profoundly damaging rail project.

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The DEIS was funded by FEC - and I do not agree with its conclusions. Running the NS route through Jupiter and Tequesta has a serious impact on both environment and on resident's quality of life. Our area is an ecotourism destination. This will all change if the train comes through. Our property values will go down. Our public safety will be adversely affected. I do think that an alternate route is possible.

I believe it is possible to use corridors along the Interstates.

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I ATTENDED THIS GATHERING Expecting to
hear A DISCUSSION OF WHY THIS "NEW" RAILLINE SHOULD
BE BUILT; BUT WHAT I SAW IS A ONE-SIDED
PROGRAM EXALTING THE VIRTUES OF WHY THIS
PROJECT SHOULD MOVE AHEAD (ON LARGE WHITE
CARDBOARD SHEETS). THE SLIDE SHOW ONLY
CONTINUED HOW WONDERFUL AND NON-INVASIVE
THE PROJECT WAS AND WHITE-WASHED ALL THE
CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITIES THROUGH
WHICH AND FOR WHICH ITS EFFECT WOULD
BE FELT. I AM TRULY DISAPPOINTED IN THIS
PRESENTATION. PERHAPS A PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR
is CALLED FOR SO COMMENTS AND REBUTTALS
COULD BE AIRED.

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Comments:

The format for this so called meeting is nothing but a meeting for Florida All Aboard

There is no option for discussion or for any presentation

Unable to even post leaflets yet FRA has information all over the place

The FRA is in collusion with

Florida All Aboard for not allowing for discussion & only FRA to present their info.

Whole meeting terrible unfair & a waste of time!

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- Questions ① on what page does the report estimate annual amounts of fuel usage, and/or CO₂^(tons) and pollutants released by vehicles due to extra idling time at crossings and bridges? ~~Not~~ (Not to be confused with air quality standards, a totally different issue)
- ② on what page does the report estimate annual amounts of fuel usage and of CO₂ (tons) and pollutants released by vehicles ~~including buses~~ due to passengers driving from their origins to stations, and from stations to final destinations?
- ③ by what percentage do you ~~believe~~ expect fuel efficiency of vehicles on the road will be increased by ~~the~~ 2030, using 2007 models as a base year? Are such improvements factored into EIS calculations?
- continued

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④ On what page is there an estimate of annual energy use and collateral pollution caused by extra use of lights, bells, gates and railroad bridges?

⑤ On what page is there data to support the claim that in 5 years (by 2019), 83.5% of vehicles that might be removed from the road will have already done so (using 2030 amount as the maximum "conversion")

⑥ Who pays for extra costs of energy involved in bells/lights/gates and railroad bridge raising & lowering for 32 extra trains?

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Question: What has been done/planned
for consideration of emergency vehicles.

Cases:

Hospital east of tracks & home owners
are immediately west of tracks. High
speed passenger will pass in a minute or so,
but the added freight run which take
much longer will increase delays more
times per day. With an aging population
in this area strokes & heart attacks are much
more numerous. An extra 3-4 minutes
can/will cause the brain to go longer
without relief provided by ~~med~~ ER physicians

So:

Are flyovers planned such as the one at
Palm Beach Lakes Blvd (33406) for Goul Sambar
Hospital for other hospitals. I can see a
need in northern West Palm Beach, Palm Beach
Gardens, & Jupiter to name a few.

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Comments:

DEAR FRA-

I just retired for NY CITY TRANSIT
AND WORKED AS A CONDUCTOR FOR
17 YEARS. I LOVED TALKING TO THE PASSENGERS
+ DOING MY JOB.

I ALSO WORKED ON WALL STREET AS
A STOCK BROKER FOR 10 YEARS PRIOR
TO NY CITY TRANSIT.

I RETIRED LAST MONTH OWN MY HOME
FOR LAST 10 YEARS. I LIKE HEARING THE TRAIN BLOW
THE WHISTLE 3 TIMES FOR 10 TRAINS A DAY.

~~HOW~~ HOWEVER DOUBLING OR TRIPLING
THE AMOUNT OF TRAINS THRU RESIDENTIAL
HIGH END HOMES IS NOT A GOOD IDEA.

MY SUGGESTION DIVERT 50% OF TRAIN AT WEST
PALM TO CSX LINE. PLEASE COMPROMISE THIS SERVICE
DO NOT TURN PALM BEACH IN NEW YORK. MY HOME'S VALUE
WILL PLUMMET + PALM BEACH COUNTY

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drastically because high income
people will move to West Coast.

This is a major disaster for East Coast
if permitted.

Please use your judgement + compromise
on the Amount of trains Allowed.

~~ABCA - Nov 2~~
~~12-30-430~~
~~John Carter~~
~~Florida North Aboard~~
~~12-230-~~
~~561 644 0267~~
~~LARI DUBAY - MARY~~

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I UNDERSTAND THAT THE ~~FRA~~ GOAL
IS TO TRAVEL BETWEEN ORLANDO
AND MIAMI IN LESS THAN
3 HOURS. HAS THERE BEEN
A RIDERSHIP STUDY DONE
TO EVALUATE ADDITIONAL RIDERSHIP
IF A STATION IN COCOA BEACH
IS ADDED

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Is the provider a trustworthy company that shows financial strength for the next 10 years? I am for this development but would fear the developer will build in hopes it works out versus not doing the due diligence to ensure it will. Have surveys, studies, feedback been gathered & shared positive results?

Why Orlando? I don't understand.

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Decible levels of horns at
"Quiet Zone" crossings, directed
along roadways, and the impact
on dwellings at 150-200 ft. every
1/2 hour $32 + 20 = 52$ Trains/24 hrs.

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*32
+ 20
52/day / 24 hrs*

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I live in WPB and I am
a proponent of All Aboard FL.
I have two concerns:

- 1) Have enough people been questioned to determine if use will be adequate to offset cost. It is my observation that many (most) do not want to give up convenience of their car.
- 2) Why can there not be a stop in Martin Co. As a resident of Stuart for 12 years, I would have welcomed a stop in MC.

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Please be sure train bridge &
old Dixie Rd Bridge under Roosevelt
bridge in Stuart Florida are large
enough for passage of
yachts of 225' length.

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Comments:

AS A TOURING CYCLIST WHO HAS
CIRCUMNAVIGATED AROUND THE
UNITED STATES, I STRONGLY RECOMMEND
PROPER CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO
PRESERVE SPACE FOR A BIKING
LANE ALONG THE ENTIRE PLANNED
ALL-ABOARD RAIL SYSTEM &
TO ACTIVELY WORK WITH ALL
PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT THIS
TRAIL. OVER 200 SUCCESSFUL
EXAMPLES THROUGHOUT FLORIDA &
MANY, MANY MORE THROUGHOUT
AMERICA BRING A GREATER
SENSE OF COMMUNITY WITH
WELL MAINTAINED BIKE TRAILS.

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1. All Aboard Florida appears to qualify for the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing. If a grant and/or loan is approved it should be subject to the following conditions:

- A. AAF should be required to include and pay for the safety improvements at crossings that allow local governments to implement quiet zones. Railroads are a "business" and **no other business is allowed to transfer the costs of mitigating noise** to local government.

("No other business" includes airports, which in Palm Beach County were required years ago to insulate or buyout residences beneath flight paths; buying out proved cheaper for the airline/airport industry. In downtown West Palm Beach, bars and sidewalk cafes are subject to noise controls.) Railroads cite laws dating to the 1800 that shift the responsibility but this country will never modernize its rail system through urban areas without dealing with noise pollution.

- B. Navigation must be preserved. Along the New River, Loxahatchee River and St. Lucie River railroad bridges have no more than five-foot clearances. The time it takes to lower-then-raise the bridges (20 minutes) must be added to the time it takes for passenger and freight trains to cross in evaluating impacts. Marine industries upstream on the New River are a major employer and economic generator in Fort Lauderdale. Industry analysts there report they need 40 minutes per hour free-passage on high tide. The EIS does not take tides into account. Recreational boating and fishing are major economic generators in Jupiter and Stuart.

1. The viability of redeveloped and now bustling downtown waterfront-section of Stuart is clearly at risk (including the livelihood of merchants, artists and performers). The city's downtown traffic issues (epitomized by what's quaintly referred to as "confusion corner") require an evaluation of re-routing of rail or auto traffic; the long approach from the south suggests possible replacement of the existing railroad bridge with high-level clearance allowing recreational boat clearance.)

- C. Extension of commuter rail between Miami and Jupiter. An agreement is in place to extend Tri Rail service from Mimi to Jupiter but extension is contingent on the FRA loan/grant. If no financing is to be provided by FRA the agreement will be void. As a condition of FRA financing, FRA must require dual-height platforms to accommodate passengers of commuter and long-distance trains (AAF has contracted to purchase cars with doors that open at a different height than those of commuter rail train now in service.) AAF must not be allowed to claim as a "benefit" any accommodation to Tri-Rail (the existing commuter service) if no arrangement is made for commuter-rail passengers (including disabled passengers) to board or de-

board from rail cars. AAF has suggested Tri-Rail acquire new cars – that is not reasonable, it is not a profitable service.

2 Draft EIS – questions and comments

A. If no FRA grant is forthcoming for Phase I: What regulatory authority can FRA exert on behalf of people in impacted areas?

B. Please explain:

(a.) How is it that AAF was allowed to write its own Environmental Assessment based on which FRA issued a FONSI that now permits construction on Phase I – arguably the most controversial phase and certainly the one impacting the greatest number of people – and to do so without independent review and analysis from FRA? *(And or public hearings/discussion)*

(b.) that only Phase II (the link between Cocoa and Orlando), and supplemental changes of stations and the “new location” in West Palm Beach” of a “proposed Fort Lauderdale layover and maintenance facility” is subject to this National Environmental Policy Act Process and DEIS. (Summary p S-4)

First we heard of this was in the summary.

In my experience, the FRA process is totally at odds with NEPA processes of other federal agencies financing, constructing projects, and implementing programs.

C. Passenger traffic: While the point is made earlier, that this EIS is directed only to Phase II, it is replete with statements made about Phase I, including estimates of passenger traffic diverted from highways, and airlines. If Phase I, is to be entirely, privately funded the number of passengers AAF serves is somewhat irrelevant; public funds are not at risk. If a federal loan or loan guarantee is provided passenger projections are very relevant, determinant of its success, and ought to be realistic. .

This EIS describes establishing “sustainable, reliable transportation” as an objective but the passenger projections are not credible. For example, the EIS projects 3.5 million passengers in 2019 – in the next five years -- but that number includes two million people traveling between West Palm Beach and Miami, i.e. commuting via AAF (in lieu of or in addition to passengers on Tri-Rail). The EIS also projects 335,628 “auto-vehicles” being “removed” from regional highways and roads. Was each of those cars carrying six people? If you deduct the 152,000 bus-riders the current number of auto-passengers per car would rise still higher. To justify its passenger projections, the EIS must provide some explanation of where, in the next five years, all these people are coming from is required.

- D. Crossings and delays: In urban areas, the time it takes a passenger train to clear a crossing in daylight hours is certainly going to be shorter than the time it takes for traffic-lights to recycle and for traffic that's backed-up at the lights to clear the crossing. The EIS neither acknowledges nor attempts to account for this additional delay, which when it occurs on four-to six-lane arterial roads with turn signals and/ or adjacent to Interstate highway entrance and exits can be quite considerable and is a principal complaint of motorists and residents.
- E. Environmental justice: Having recently driven the 528 Beach line corridor from Orlando to Cocoa, which crosses the headwaters of the St. Johns River. I agree there is minimal impact on minority communities. There is a major impact on minority communities along the coast between Cocoa and Miami that the Environmental Assessment identified in census tracts but then dismissed and/or tried to offset by projected increases in temporary construction jobs. It was generally assumed there would be discussion of those impacts in this EIS.

I may submit later comments about the environmental impacts of Phase II.

MLM

It is distressing that this public meeting was/is conducted by public relations persons hired by AAF. Only 1 FRA and 1 ACOE employee. People deserve independent reviewers and explainers

MLM

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Comments:

- ✓ I support the project as AAF seems to address major issues including noise and pollution from trains
1. Should have at least (1 cellphone free train cars) or other systems to limit annoyance
2. " use porous pavement around the station for drainage & safety - VA in Riviera Beach has such in one new parking lot. Miami Herald 7/9/07 did story on the original inventor's concrete - but he died a year later. water puddling a major issue at Tri Rail a few blocks away which did not use + no drainage now at Datura just west of FKE now. Porous pavement a safer walking surface
3. Limit smoking No Smoking Zone outside of enclosed station at least 50' INVOLUNTARY SMOKING a major health issue & anxiety producing.

David London WPB

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Comments:

My main concern is security.
The presence of ^{unarmed} police agents ^{in the trains & terminals stations} as a deterrent is vital as the project itself.

We taxpayers, deserve protection for our families and ourselves.

Please, don't let the criminals take over this project. Thank you.

In Spanish:

"La seguridad ciudadana es fundamental para el éxito de este proyecto.
Por favor, no dejar que los criminales se salgan con la suya. Gracias."

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Comments:

09-10-29-14

RAISE (ELEVATE) TRAINS 1500' SOUTH OF
OKECHOBEE SO THAT ATOKECHOBEE WOULD BE
12' ABOVE OKECHOBEE AND REMAIN AT
THAT LEVEL UNTIL CLEMATIS STREET OR JUST
NORTH OF CLEMATIS STREET IN THE HISTORIC
SECTION.

Raymond H. Mordine

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- ① inconvenience to automobile traffic at crossings
esp. 100-130 freight cars / train (pass time + back-up)
- ② Disrupts emergency services
- ③ Passenger Train ridership is minimal on
Tri-rail's existing train frequency, not 32/day.
- ④ destination connectivity (airport to Train etc.)
- ⑤ Train speed in Urban areas 65-80+ mph
- ⑥ wheel to rail noise carries 1 mile +,
depending on atmospheric conditions.
- ⑦ Engineer on his Cell Phone caused
a huge disaster. Human element multiplied
32 passenger + 20 freight trains.
- ⑧ Quality of life for those living near
tracks. Noise + inconvenience + safety!

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Reasons for Opposition to *All Aboard Florida* Rail Expansion

Like many local residents and mariners, I am quite concerned about the negative impact of AAF and the associated planned freight expansion. I understand that AAF alone will require 32 additional closings of the Loxahatchee River railroad bridge per day, and that there will be additional freight traffic necessitating many long closings also. The freight closings are the worst part of the problem, given the long length of the trains and duration of the closings.

I see the following navigational problems:

- Impeding navigation of the river for recreational purposes
- Limitation of access to the western portion by boaters
- Limitation of access of emergency vessels for long periods of time, especially when the bridge is traversed by freight trains. This could result in deaths in cases of accidents or illness.
- Complete blockage of access if a freight train is stopped on the bridge because of mechanical breakdown or accident
- Excessive wear and tear on the mechanism of the bridge

I further see the following land-based problems:

- Intolerable traffic delays due to the increased frequency of railroad crossing blockage due to both AAF trains and the expected increased number of long, slower-moving freight trains
- Increased chance of train-auto collisions at crossings
- Long delays in response time for emergency vehicles, resulting in unnecessary deaths
- Decrease in property values due to the noise, danger, and congestion from the increased rail traffic
- Lower quality of life in this beautiful part of Florida. Some of the most beautiful developments in this part of the nation will be **devastated** by this project.

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TOO MANY TRAINS. IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE
THAT MANY PEOPLE WILL USE THE SERVICE—
WHICH WILL BE EXPENSIVE.

MANY PROBLEMS ARE SURE TO COME UP.
BOthers ME THAT THE "PLAN" IS TO DEAL
WITH THEM IF/WHEN THEY HAPPEN. WILL BE
TOO LATE.

IMPACT ON TRAFFIC WILL BE HORRENDOUS.
IT'S A PROBLEM NOW WITH FREIGHT TRAINS/
PALM TRAN/AMTRAK. TRAFFIC BACKS UP,
EVEN DURING NON-RUSH HOUR TIMES.

INTERSECTIONS GET BLOCICED. (PEOPLE ARE
ROAD HOAS.)

IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE ESTIMATES OF
INCOME TO BE GENERATED.

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Comments:

- ① The format is contrived - without the ability to have questions answered - NO open format
- ② Environmental impact will be a disaster!
 - ① trains will create enormous back ups for cars crossing the tracks → more accidents
 - ② Car pollution will increase tremendously & will be worse than if you were driving on 95 because of the car idling for at least 15 min. a time
 - ③ Noise pollution - I can already hear the train's now. It will be constant. It is shown that loud noises increase anxiety
 - ③ There will be accidents at the crossing - I live Palm Beach Gardens - children need to cross the street. How many people will be killed?
 - ③ ~~④~~ Economic impact: Palm Beach Gardens will lose business
 - ④ I cannot get Jupiter hospital - Last year I had a burst appendix - I could have died - This is a problem -

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West Palm Beach
29 Oct. 2014

I believe that the proposed train to Orlando is not practical financially and dangerous to auto traffic. Okeechobee Blvd and FEC are very dangerous here always. Maybe ten or twenty years from now would be practical. There simply are not enough people who would use All Aboard Florida. Have you researched the number of people who use Amtrak # 97, Silver Star, for past five years? Take a look.

I'm from an old Southern Railway family of Selma, Ala. and loved using FEC South Wind to Montgomery and City of Miami to Birmingham. Pity about the non-operating Union in 1962 and removal of double track.

I wish FEC well, but not this proposed failure.

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- ① The number of trains is excessive. The Amtrak trains that travel the route are rarely full.
- ② The impact on traffic seem very underestimated. Delays your figures do not account for drivers who block intersections, which will cause greater delays and frayed nerves - definitely a safety consideration.
- ③ Environmentally? What about the emissions generated by the idling cars at the 26 crossings?
- ④ It seems a duplication of resources - The Amtrak train will still go where it goes.
- ⑤ The noise & vibration is also underestimated. I live 2 blocks from the tracks, so I know.
Two or three ^{trains} a day, okay -
Two or three an hour, NOT okay

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VERY OPPOSED TO THIS RAIL PROJECT IN
MY STATE
DO NOT BELIEVE THERE WILL BE ENOUGH
RIDERSHIP TO MAKE ECONOMIC SENSE - NO WAY
THIS WILL BE PROFITABLE.
USING FEC TRACKS THROUGH TUPPER AND TAWASTA
WILL SEVERELY IMPACT SAFETY AND QUALITY OF
LIFE IN MY OPINION.

I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF ANY RAIL PROJECT
THAT MAKES SENSE - THIS DOES NOT !!

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I AM GREATLY CONCERNED ABOUT RESIDENTS SAFETY AT CROSSINGS.
THE TRAIN/BUS COLLISION IN FOX RIVER GROVE, IL DATED 10/25/1995
INVOLVED A TRAIN AT A SPEED OF 66 MPH WHEN THE BUS WAS SIGHTED.
IN ABOUT ONE-HALF MILE, SPEED WAS REDUCED TO 15-28 MPH AT THE
TIME OF THE COLLISION. NTSB REPORT NTSB/HAR-94/02, P196-916202
DISCUSSES AT LENGTH THE VARIABILITY OF MICROPROCESSERS CONTROLLING
TRAFFIC SIGNALS LOCATED PROTECTING THE INTERSECTION. I LIVE IN
A LARGE COMMUNITY THAT ADJUTS THE FFL TRACKS. WE HAVE PROTECTED
INTERSECTIONS ON HARP ROAD AND DONALD ROSS ROADS. AS WE ARE
NORTH OF WEST PALM BEACH, THE TRAINS ARE CLEARED FOR 100 MPH.
LOOKING AT NTSB ACCIDENT REPORTS, PEOPLE CONTINUALLY RUN GATES
WHEN THEY ARE DOWN. I BELIEVE THAT THE STUDY HAS SEVERELY
UNDERESTIMATED THE RISK OF COLLISIONS. AAF IS FOR THE BENEFIT
OF TOURISTS AS THERE ARE NO STATIONS NORTH OF WEST PALM BEACH.
AS A FORMER RAIL COMMUTER IN THE CHICAGO AREA FOR OVER 25 YEARS,
I HAVE PERSONALLY BEEN ON TRAINS THAT HIT THREE PEOPLE/VEHICLES
AND THE TRAINS WERE TRAVELING AT LESS THAN 1/2 THE SPEED
AAF PROPOSES TO RUN.

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SECONDLY, OUR COMMUNITY ALREADY EXPERIENCES
SEVERE VIBRATION FROM PASSING TRAINS. THIS

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VIBRATION IS SEVERE ENOUGH TO CAUSE VIBRATIONS/SHAKING
ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF HOMES. THIS IS IMPACTING
THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND WILL INCREASE MAINTENANCE
COSTS AND WILL ONLY INCREASE WITH MORE TRAIN
TRAFFIC.

MY FINAL ISSUE WITH THE ASSESSMENT IS THE BELIEF
THAT AUTOMOBILE TRIPS WILL DIMINISH AT THE FORECAST LEVEL,
AMTRAK CURRENTLY CANNOT FILL TRAINS OVER THE MIAMI-ORLANDO
ROUTE. THE PREPONDERANCE OF THE POTENTIAL USERS WILL HAVE
TO BE FOREIGN TRAVELLERS. ALTERNATIVE FLIGHTS COULD ALREADY
TAKE THEM DIRECTLY TO ORLANDO.

OVERALL, IT BOTHERS ME GREATLY THAT AN APPLICATION FOR
FEDERAL MONEY, WHICH IS SCARCE, TO MOVE FOREIGN VISITORS IS
BEING CONSIDERED WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY US CITIES IN DIRE
NEED OF TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL FOR THEIR TRANSIT
SYSTEM.

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Comments:

3hr, Trip Miami To Orlando with
334 Crossings, whereby the train slows
to 30mph at each crossing -
not likely

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① We are extremely concerned that our access to the Jupiter inlet from the Loxahatchee River will be cut off due to the frequency of the bridge closures.

② We own rental property which sits adjacent to the tracks on Windsor Ave. that may be unrentable because of noise & vibration caused by numerous trains running daily. Our property at 3001 Windsor Ave. is within 20 feet of the existing tracks in West Palm Beach.

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Respectfully, I ask: ~~why~~ making this public presentation, with the numbers, times, speeds, etc., do you really think the public is so stupid as to believe the times, speeds and figures printed on the placards exhibited?

We live here, year round, have lived near high speed trains in both Japan (10 yrs.) & Europe (same). The area from W. Palm Beach north to Stuart is a route travelled very regularly at various times of the 24 hrs. ^{per day} ~~clock~~. The ^{existing} freight trains take 5 min & longer at crossings. The existing traffic on Indian River Rd, esp. in season is already untenable. Harbor side is calculated to add 6005 more cars per day, alone. How do you mitigate wait times, 4X's more car fumes per standing car? How will this already overloaded road system be handled? Are you kidding? You are handing us and ourselves a living nightmare. Now, add emergency vehicles - by their description, they need to move ASAP. Do you in all good conscience think this will be able to happen?

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We fear that the passenger service will not be successful & the improved tracks will be used primarily for freight. And we fear an increase in freight trains with length & number of trains daily. We live in a community of stress & many have serious health problems. We live on one side of the tracks & our local hospital is on the other side. Also we are already experiencing year by year loss of value in our homes due to the increase in the number of trains. If the loan is approved we feel the taxpayers will ultimately be paying it off because the passenger service will not be successful.

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Comments:

The Benefit of All citizens of Palm Beach County is nonexistent compared to the inconvenience AND expense. The effect it will have on property values alone should deny any of our governments constituents from ~~even~~ allowing any of our tax dollars to be spent.

The very possibility of the failure happening within a few short years should weigh in on the reasons our government should NOT support this as well. "Freight is the only reason behind this push."

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I live in Palm Jumeirah, a community in Jupiter, Florida half of which is divided by the existing railroad track. I hear the freight trains as do most residents, which will be multiplied many times if All Aboard Florida gets its way. I estimate the loss in real estate values at \$300,000 per average house, or 255 million dollars for the 850 homes. Even worse will be the inconvenience of crossing the tracks to go to a restaurant, hospital, golf course or whatever. Life will not be the same and even worse for boaters.

I think the Miami to Orlando train tracks should be located to the west, say the Corbett wildlife area and then following Florida's Turnpike. This might disturb no alligators instead of a million people by the existing tracks.

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Comments:

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I am a lifelong resident of Palm Beach Gardens. My home is near the FEC AIA Corridor. The proposed expansion of train traffic on this rail line is completely inconsistent w/ the character of our community and will be devastating to my family's quality of life, and to my property value. I have worked in a professional capacity for 30 years to establish a good home in a quiet and neat, middle-class neighborhood. FRA must not take property value from ^{home owners/} tax payers and hand it over to a private equity shop (Fortress). It is clear from the terms of the private bond issuance they did in June 2014 that the bankers and investors were told that

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Comments:

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a federal loan would eventually be forthcoming to take them out of the bonds at a premium.

The FRA must consider the western corridor alternative for the freight/commuter expansion.

If you approve this, they will start the project w/ private money and go after the Federal money later.

The environmental impact is huge on the people who live, work and play along the PGA corridor. The number of trips will cut our community in half. The trains are already a hassle and noise polluters (even w/o the horns. Please stop it!

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Comments:

I am against All Aboard Florida
I live near Donald Ross Rd, a very
busy intersection, In an emergency
it will be very difficult to get to the
Jupiter Hospital.

Marjorie Torgan
margietorgan @ YAHOO.COM

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Comments:

This seems to be an informational session
There is no ability to protest. It seems
that the institution of all aboard Florida is
a fait accompli. We feel that it will have
a substantial adverse impact on our lives
one line at the corner of BIA and (P+811)
and Donald Ross and cross the tracks
at least once a day. Emergency vehicles
will be held up, safety will be compromised
noise will be unbearable. We are skeptical of the
traffic predicted and think that long freight trains
will be the primary users
J. A. T. O. G.
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Comments:

The Railroad will NOT provide
any benefits to the neighborhoods
of Palm Beach Gardens.

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Comments:

- ① Too much noise from the freight trains already
- ② Too much time nec. to go from US 1 to military trail on Donald Ross Rd
- ③ Difficult getting to Jupiter Hospital, as it is, from Donald Ross rd

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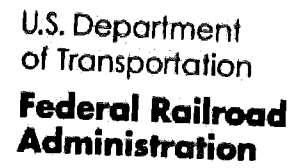
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Comments:

I support AAF.

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Comments:

Great incentive to allow travelers to move
between major/metropolitan cities in the state
of Florida. This project will alleviate the current
traffic conditions for transportation between
the proposed locations.

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Comments:

I'm All For The Project. I Have Reviewed
The Pro & Cons And Find That In The
Long Run The Environmental Impact ~~For~~
The Construction ^{OF} ~~FOR~~ The Project Will Be
Minimal. As Apposed To The Carbon Emission
Created By Road Travel.

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Comments:

The environmental impact seems to be very minimal in relation to the benefits to be gained.

It's about time Florida built up its transportation infrastructure.

Rail is the foundation of industry.

This would be a great incentive to

attract manufacturing to the state.

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I support this project and want to see it move forward. ~~The~~ All Aboard Florida will make a great economic impact, create many jobs, and assist in tourism growth.

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Optional Personal Information:

Name	Jnn Marie Sorrell
Address	2930 Okeechobee Blvd. Ste 207 West Palm Beach, FL 33409
email	Please provide your email address if you would like to receive notification when the FEIS is available

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Comments:

As a resident of the South End of West Palm Beach, I am looking forward to the completion of the AAF project.

The economic impact to the area will be significant and spark additional development in our downtown area as well as the cities on the corridor.

I feel that the development team has done good work in using state-of-the-art trains that will not affect the environment adversely, but will bring significant benefit to South Florida.

I Look forward to travelling on an All Aboard Florida train soon.

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Optional Personal Information:

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Comments:

I suport this Project -
I think it will be good for this
Area. ~~Rte~~ People will find some-
where to go when ever they want
even to find jobs (etc.)

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Name	Mavis Grant
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Comments:

THIS PROJECT IS FILLED WITH SO MANY BENEFITS.
IT WILL MAKE FLORIDA A TRUE WORLD CLASS DESTINATION.
THE BEST FUEL EFFICIENT METHOD OF TRAVEL.

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Comments:

I WANT THIS PROJECT
HOWEVER I HOPE MINORITIES
WILL BE INCLUDED IN
THE BUILDING OF THE
STATIONS.

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Name	Sophia Nelson
Address	West Palm Beach
email	Please provide your email address if you would like to receive notification when the FEIS is available

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Comments:

I am a 5 year resident of PBC,
living in Jupiter, Florida. I fully
support the AAF project and think
it will be of great benefit to
the residents & ultimately the state
of Florida.

I look forward to seeing this
project completed & riding the
train to Orlando & Miami.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'A' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke.

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Name	Greg Stelmack
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Comments:

Excellent project keeping in view of
future population growth and requirements
of Mass transit. I support this project.

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Comments:

I AM 100% IN FAVOR OF DBT. I DO WISH THEY
WERE PLANNING ON A TEMPORAL COAST
STATION, THOUGH.

THIS IS THE RIGHT MOVE.

LET'S GET THIS STARTED ASAP!

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Comments:

We support! Florida desperately
needs more rail. This is a great
step 1... I hope there are many more!

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Comments:

I, JOEL MUNNERY, AM IN FULL SUPPORT OF ALL ABOARD FLORIDA.
TRUTHING LIKE THIS HAS BEEN ADOPTED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, I
THINK PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IS IDEAL & REQUIRED FOR TODAY'S
ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY. THIS ROUTE IS ALSO PERFECT FOR
ALL MAJOR TOURIST CITIES & WILL INFUSE MASS FUNDS INTO
THE LOCAL ECONOMIES, GO GO!!

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Comments:

In My Opinion This Is A Fantastic Idea
As It Offers Not Only A Solution To Our
Over Congested Highways But Also Has The
Ability To Eliminate The Burning of Fossil Fuels.
The Project Will Undoubtedly Be Met With
Resistance And Skepticism But Will End Up
Becoming An Asset. Fantastic! Go Go Go

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Comments:

I would like to see this project
move forward as quickly as possible.
Transportation / Infrastructure benefits
will far outweigh any inconvenience.
This will be a critical portion
of Florida's future growth.

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Comments:

While there admittedly are a few negative impacts, the overall benefits to the areas where the stations are located, and to the quality of life for millions of people, greatly outweigh the negatives.

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Comments:

Public Rail transit is a good alternative for traveling north/south
along Florida's east coast.

In addition, Roadway crossings along the project
corridor have the benefit of pedestrian and
vehicular upgrades.

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Comments:

While I don't look forward to sitting in my car waiting at a rail crossing, I recognize the need for more transportation options. Compared to Europe, our rail service is lacking.

I look forward to a fast convenient train ride from downtown WPB to downtown Miami!

Thanks

Jim

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Comments:

I think this project will generate more tourist revenue as well as alleviate a lot of commuter traffic between miami, palm beach and broward.

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Comments:

I BELIEVE AAF WILL BE AN ECONOMIC BOOST
TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA. ~~AND~~ IN ADDITION, IT WILL
RELIEVE SOME TRAFFIC FROM EXISTING HIGHWAYS

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Comments:

A High Speed Rail system is what was missing from South Florida To ORLANDO INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS will utilize this service once they know it exists. ADDING Quiet ZONES To The Rail project throughout was also a great idea to minimize the impact of a high speed rail and any accidents that may occur due to its construction.

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Comments:

I support All Aboard Florida and agree with its construction. In my opinion the positive outcomes (jobs, removing traffic from 95 and alleviating congestion) outweigh the negative impacts.

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Comments:

Providing travel alternatives along this corridor
will help to ease congestion & bring improvements
to the crossings & counties along the train line.

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Comments:

Great Project Should improve traffic by encouraging transit
Stimulates economy with the job opportunities

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Comments:

I completely support the All Aboard Florida project. I think it gives our region a great transportation option. The improved crossings and quiet zones seem to improve an existing railroad and residents around it. I also look forward to driving to the West Palm Beach Station to take the train to both Orlando and Miami.

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Comments:

All aboard project will bring relief to traffic
and allow easier transportation.

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Comments:

The AAF project will not only add an additional way to travel from Miami ~~and~~ to Orlando. but it will improve the Florida economy by providing jobs.

In conclusion, Yes AAF!

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Comments:

MORE TRAVEL CHOICES ARE ALWAYS A GOOD
THING. MY ONLY ADVICE FOR ALL ABOARD FLORIDA
IS; BUILD IT, RUN IT, EXPAND IT AND GIVE CHOICE
TO ALL OF FLORIDA.

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Comments:

All Aboard Florida is a great addition to the Downtown West Palm Beach Area.

It will provide a huge economic impact to the area businesses. Palm Beach County is over-saturated with retail destinations and the struggling downtown area needs the boost in tourism. Trains have been around since the early years and with today's technology everyone's concerns will be addressed.

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Comments:

The rail project will be a good
addition to Florida -

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Comments:

I think this project would be beneficial for mass transit across the state. This could be the beginning to a much larger network of passenger service. Having an alternative to either flying by ~~the~~ poorly maintained aircraft or driving for 4 hours are the only 2 alternatives (overlooking the unacceptable 6 hour bus trip). Not to mention the economic benefits provided by running these trains. I went 1 year without a job just a few years ago and having this project built could have expanded my available options for employment to the dramatically more ~~cost~~ appropriate placement when compared to the Tri-Rail alternative currently in service.

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Comments:

I am truly interested in the Railway expansion. For such an expansion I believe there will be room for using local Business as part of the team to fulfill projects base on Phases. Could you please provide information on how you anticipate getting local Business involved.

My firm is a Staffing firm would there be any opportunity for involvement by a firm such as mine. Hiring local talent for different scope of works my name is Donnette Bromfield and I am interested in being apart of the Development—we are all aboard and excited for this new Rail-Transit
(566 706-5514)

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Comments:

I support the project 100 %

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Comments:

As managing shareholder of the West Palm Beach office of Becker Poliakoff, I wholly support the All Aboard Florida project. Increasing and improving transit options for our region is an investment in our future; that must be made now; so as to not lose this unique opportunity.

The prospect of using rail service to connect our offices in Miami, West Palm, Fort Lauderdale and Orlando will give us the ability to increase our business and offer improved services.

As a Palm Beach County resident I also wholly support All Aboard Florida. I think its EXCITING THAT WE'LL HAVE THE CHANCE to take real transit that actually goes to Real places. Hopefully this project will help change the way we think about mass transit throughout the United States.

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Comments:

Great idea, Looking forward
to it being operational.

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Comments:

Having a passenger service train would be
beneficial for me and the community.

We need to progress forward with public
transportation as South Florida is behind in
this aspect.

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ALTHOUGH BY NATURE WE FEEL THE
IMMEDIATE URGE TO RESIST
CHANGE; ESPECIALLY WHEN IT MAY
IMPACT OUR EVERY DAY ACTIVITIES
(TRAFFIC, DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH);
I AM ~~IN~~ SUPPORT OF THE
AAF PROJECT IF IT MEANS
FINANCIAL BENEFITS TO LOCAL
INDUSTRY.

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Comments:

*I'm very supportive of the
proposed project.*

JW1

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Comments:

I am in support of this project.

Our family would use the line from
Wpalm to both Miami and Orlando

I would use the line to miami as
my business office is located there.

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Comments:

All aboard Florida will provide a useful resource to Florida residents and visitors. I Believe the All Aboard Florida group has done extensive research to ensure Florida's wildlife is not threatened by the project. The project also shows promising data pertaining to automobile emissions reduction. I am 100% supportive of the project and the benefits the state of Florida will receive from its construction.

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I support All aboard Florida.

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Comments:

As an urban planner I fully support the efforts
of All Aboard Florida. We should be doing
everything possible to develop alternative modes
of transportation other than the single-passenger
automobile that clog city streets. Environmentally
and economically that method is unsustainable.
Please lend your full support in this
effort

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Comments:

I AM COMPLETELY IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT.
AS A FORMER WELLINGTON, FL COMMISSIONER
I AM CONCERNED ABOUT CONNECTIONS FOR
WESTERN COUNTY TRAFFIC.

ARE YOU ~~COORDINATING~~ COORDINATING WITH
PALM BEACH COUNTY PALMTRAM, MPA,
AND OTHER REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES
(CTRI-RAIL).

SPECIFICALLY, TO CREATE EAST-WEST
TRAVEL SERVICES TO REDUCE AUTOS ON OUR
CLOGGED ROADS.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

"GO" ALL ABOARD FLORIDA

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AC Pag Deed
Wellington
PagliaAC@BellSouth.net

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Comments:

I AM A WEST PALM BEACH RESIDENT, AND
I SUPPORT TRAIL TRANSIT TO MIAMI AND
ORLANDO, WITH SOME RESERVATIONS.

INTERCITY TRAVEL IN FLORIDA SHOULD
BE LESS DEPENDENT ON AUTOMOBILES.

RESERVATIONS:

1) GROUND-LEVEL STATIONS WILL LIKELY
BE REGRETTED. ~~AFTER~~ IS THERE AN
AFFORDABLE WAY TO RAISE THEM UP,
ENABLING PEDESTRIAN AND AUTO TRAFFIC?

2) FARES NEED TO BE LOW ENOUGH
FOR ORDINARY FAMILIES TO USE AAF.
\$90.00 ONE WAY IS TOO HIGH, SUITABLE ONLY
FOR A BUSINESSMAN TRAVELING ALONE.

A MODERN TRANSIT RAILROAD SHOULD COOPERATE
AND CO-EXIST WITH ITS CITY - NOT PERMANENTLY
INCONVENIENCE IT.

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Comments:

I'm a snowbird who travels in and out of Palm Beach International. It's a small airport with limited flights available

I would like AAF to make it easy for me + my family to fly into FLL + MIA and easily + affordably + in a ~~timely~~ timely manner to get to downtown West Palm.

I would like multi-ride passes for the season. Ex. My son lives in Cayman Island can only fly into Miami. Other son California - only non-stop to Ft Lauderdale - make it easy for kids to come visit

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Comments:

It appears that this initiative may provide a positive economic impact. I personally applaud any opportunity to improve public transportation options in our great state. Providing an option to link Central and South Florida for both business + pleasure travel should be a positive ~~and~~ impact.

Auto travel should be at least supplemented by this option. Can this be compared to Travel in Europe or Japan?

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Comments:

Very excited about this project
I'm delighted to see the private
investment.

I'm a downtown West Palm
resident and can't wait
to ride to Ft. Miami

Thank you

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Comments:

I support rail project as
explained.

I see no downside to project.

Anna Valencia
10/20/14

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Comments:

WPB- All board would be using existing track,
So I see no issue there. Also I would think the
project would create jobs

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Comments:

This is a great project that will finally
move Florida transportation forward.

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Comments:

I SUPPORT All Aboard Florida!

Two local concerns from a West Palm Beach downtown resident:

1) Please ensure the new street from Clematis to Fern Street is a quality public space. It should be a beautiful urban street, very important for mitigating the closure

2) WE WANT TRI-RAIL
COASTAL LINK!!

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Comments:

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ALLOW TRAVEL TO AND FROM ORLANDO AREA

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Comments:

I think it is important to extend
All Aboard Florida train service
to Orlando to provide mass transportation
& improve travel to Orlando & Cocoa
Florida needs alternatives to
everyone driving their own cars.

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Comments:

Looking forward to completion and added
convenience this project will afford.
Positive that many auto trips will be deferred
to rail.

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GREAT Idea

Grain ~~_____~~

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Comments:

This is a great idea to provide public transportation linking cities from Orlando to Miami.

We need to improve our commuter system in Florida and this is a good way to start.

How will you utilize minority contractors in your project?

Is there any possibility that the roads where the trains cross could be raised over the road or train tracks?

We should try to eliminate the horns of the trains at crossing. This causes excessive noise.

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Comments:

I look forward to getting on the train in West Palm Beach and using AAF to get me to downtown Miami quickly. For the AAA events I currently pass on. For events at History Miami. And even to take a class at Miami Dade College. The idea of boosting mobility without increasing traffic on the highways of Florida is one I thoroughly support.

I can see why the folks north of Jupiter are against this project, but they are exaggerating the possible negatives.

Let's get this project going!

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Name	Lisa Jensen
Address	606 Shore Rd. North Palm Beach, FL 33408
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I am in full support of this project.
Anything that gets me to Miami and
keeps me off 95 is welcome.



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I FAVOR THIS PROJECT SO
LONG AS THE TRAINS DO NOT
HINDER WATER TRAFFIC UNDULY

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I believe that the findings of the EIS reinforce what supporters of AAF have said from the beginning. While there will be minimal environmental impacts, such actions are necessary for the growth of infrastructure in a populated state such as Florida. The benefits of the completion of AAF will far outweigh any temporary environmental detriments with regards to economic and commercial growth. While all parties ~~are~~ involved are necessarily concerned with possible environmental detriments during both the construction and operation of AAF, the findings of the EIS serve to reinforce that these impacts will be as limited as possible while simultaneously providing the greatest possible benefit.

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I am for "All Aboard"
It will be a boom for Florida
tourism industry.

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Comments:

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Comments:

I think that a railroad connecting West Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale and Miami would be efficient and effective for personal and business travel. It will make it easier for people to get to the places they need to be. The cost is reasonable, and the time to get to ^{the} places is not long.

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AGC Florida East Coast Chapter
Supports AAF for the following
reasons:

- AGC supports transportation & infrastructure investment.
- The project will be competitively bid.
- Will create thousands of construction jobs through rail & service stations leaving behind permanent jobs as well.
- Recognizes Palm Beach County is a major tourism destination, which has limited transportation options available between various major destination cities.
- ~~Supports~~ ^{Recognizes} the estimated 6B economic impact it will have.
- Gives tourists & Floridians ^{transportation} options.

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Comments:

*Very much in support of project
needed for transportation issues.*

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Comments:

As a 24 yr resident of PBC
I was forward to the EIS of Access
the All Aboard FRA. will provide.
Coming from the North, I appreciate
the need for Transportation
that is an Alternative to Driving

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Comments:

I like this idea because it connects
people and will reduce pollution
in Florida.

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Comments:

This is a great thing (AAE), my neighbors
and I are looking forward and hope to ride
these trains soon. This will cut pollution
by keeping cars off the road. America & Fla.
need progress and more railroads. High Rail
has been great & a pleasure to ride so why
not AAE? - David Nelson

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THIS IS A VERY WORTHY PROJECT AND IT NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED AND PUT IN SERVICE.

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